

(SIR M. RAJASEKHARA MURTHY)

(d) Apart from the general programme of eucalyptus plantation as part of aforestation scheme no special area has been reserved for plantation for Birlas.

(e) No.

Land in Possession of Harijans in Hovanahalli Village

73. Sri J. P. SARWESH (Sedum).—

Will the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that Hovanahalli village, Chincholi taluk is the only village in Gulbarga district where date trees are found in S. No. 46 belonging to Harijans since the last 12 years and in no other village date trees are found in the lands which are under unauthorised cultivation of landless people ;

(b) the names of villages with taluks in Gulbarga District where Government lands have been treated as date trees reserve lands and where orders of eviction to unauthorised landless people have been issued during the current year ;

(c) the date and number of the Government Order refusing sanction of S. No. 46 to the Harijan cultivators of village Hovanahalli, Taluk Chincholi, District Gulbarga ;

(d) the reasons for the Government for evicting in one single village Hovanahalli, Taluk Chincholi, the Harijans and declining to sanction patta of the land in S. No. 46 to the Harijans who have cultivated it and who are in possession of the same since the last 12 years ?

Sri H. V. KOUJALGI (Minister for Revenue).—

(a) S. No. 46 of Hovanahalli village, Chincholi Taluk, containing date trees is under encroachment by the Harijans since 1962. No cases of encroachment of land containing date trees in any other village in Gulbarga District have come to notice.

(b) There are no areas in Gulbarga District where Government lands are treated as date reserve land except Hovanahalli Village, Chincholi Taluk where orders of eviction of encroachers have been issued.

(c) Government letter No. RD 4 LGD 69, dated 2nd July 1969.

(d) Consequent on the relaxation of prohibition, the policy of Government is not to release the date groves for cultivation purposes. The existing laws also do not provide for confirmation of encroached lands.